

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

1. (amended) A child carrier passenger system for bicycles, said system comprising:

a frame member for removable attachment to a bicycle;

said frame member having a first end for removable engagement with the bicycle handlebar stem;

an open-ended yoke on said first end of said frame member for removably engaging said first end of said frame member onto the bicycle handlebar stem;

said frame member having a second end for removable attachment to the bicycle seat post;

a rear clamp for removable attachment of said second end of said frame member to the seat post of a bicycle; and

a child seat attached to said frame member;

~~a mechanism for engaging onto a bicycle handlebar stem; said mechanism is attached to a first end of said frame member; and~~

~~a rear clamp for attachment to a seat post of a bicycle; said rear clamp attached to a second end of said frame member.~~

2. (amended) The child carrier passenger system of claim 1 wherein said mechanism for engaging said frame member onto a bicycle handlebar stem includes:

a substantially "U" shaped open ended yoke for engagement around the handlebar stem of most bicycles.

3. (amended) The child carrier passenger system of claim 1 wherein said mechanism for engaging said frame member onto a bicycle handlebar stem includes:

a substantially "U" shaped open ended yoke for engagement around the handlebar stem of most bicycles; and

a protective coating on said front yoke to minimize scratching of the handle bar stem.

4. (original) The child carrier passenger system of claim 1 wherein said rear clamp includes:

a vertical swivel to enable said frame member to be attached to most bicycle seat posts regardless of the angle of the seat post.

5. (original) The child carrier passenger system of claim 1 wherein said rear clamp includes:

a quick release mechanism to enable said system to be quickly attached to a bicycle and removed from the bicycle.

6. (original) The child carrier passenger system of claim 1 wherein said system includes:

a harness system attached to said seat to secure a child in said seat.

7. (original) The child carrier passenger system of claim 1 wherein said system includes:

a five point harness system attached to said seat to secure a child in said seat.

8. (original) The child carrier passenger system of claim 1 wherein said system includes:

a foot rest for a child secured in said seat.

9. (original) The child carrier passenger system of claim 1 wherein said system includes:

an adjustable foot rest for a child secured in said seat.

10. (original) The child carrier passenger system of claim 1 wherein said system includes:

a handlebar system for the child.

11. (original) The child carrier passenger system of claim 1 wherein said system includes:

a handlebar system for the child; and
a toy mounted on said handlebar system.

12. (original) The child carrier passenger system of claim 1 wherein said system includes:

an adjustable length frame member.

13. (amended) A method for using a child passenger system having a front open ended engagement mechanism, a central frame member, a child's bicycle seat attached to said central frame member and a rear clamp, said method comprising the steps of:

engaging said front engagement mechanism onto a handlebar stem of a bicycle;
attaching said rear clamp to the seat post of the bicycle; and
securing a child in said child's bicycle seat.

14. (original) The method of claim 13 wherein said step of engaging said front engagement mechanism onto a handlebar stem of a bicycle also includes the steps of:

said front engagement mechanism having an open end; and
engaging said open end of said front engagement mechanism around the handlebar stem of a bicycle.

15. (original) The method of claim 13 wherein said step of attaching said rear clamp to the seat post of the bicycle includes the step of:

said rear clamp including a vertical swivel; and
adjusting said vertical swivel on said rear clamp until said central frame member is substantially horizontal.

16. (original) The method of claim 13 wherein said step of securing a child in said child's bicycle seat includes the steps of:

said child's bicycle seat having a harness system; and
securing said harness system around the child to securely retain a child in said bicycle seat.

17. (original) The method of claim 13 wherein said step of securing a child in said child's bicycle seat includes the steps of:

said child passenger system having adjustable foot rests; and
adjusting said adjustable foot rests so a child can comfortably rest their feet.

18. (original) The method of claim 13 wherein said step of securing a child in said child's bicycle seat includes the steps of:

providing a handlebar on said child passenger system for a child to grasp during a bicycle ride.

19. (original) The method of claim 13 wherein said method further includes:
providing a quick release on said rear clamp to enable said central frame member to be easily removed.

20. (original) The method of claim 13 wherein said method further includes:
providing an adjustable length mechanism on said central frame member to accommodate differing sizes and designs of bicycles.